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## RUBBISH REMOVED

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## RIDING THE BILLOWS.

A Few Pointed Suggestions For Ocean Travelers.

Do not interfere with the captain in the performance of his duties or offer suggestions in navigation based upon your own experience in running a catboat on Lake Mohonk. There are few captains now in the transatlantic service who have not crossed the ocean several times, and we know of none who has acquired his knowledge of the sea in a correspondence school.

If the lady with golden hair seated in the steamer chair next to yours inadvertently puts her head on your shoulder and groans do not rudely remove it, but whistle a soft lullaby, as if you did not notice the act. Bear in mind that two heads are better than one. The lullaby may put her to sleep, when her curls may be gently removed to her own sofa pillow. Should you desire to go below before she goes to sleep send the deck steward after her husband and ask him to remove them himself.

If in the midst of your dinner you feel a sudden emotional quail arising within you rise with it as nearly simultaneously as possible and hasten from the saloon, taking care in your flight to stick to the aisles between the tables and not go leaping from table to table like a frightened antelope toward the exit. This latter course would cause considerable confusion in the dining room, and in your haste you might inadvertently trip over another passenger's welsch rabbit, which is not considered good form in polished circles either on the land or on the sea.

If on your way to the upper deck you find the staircases blocked by others hastening upward like yourself do not step upon them in your mad flight upward, but slide down the banisters to the lower deck, which you will find just as well adapted to your needs as the upper. Any deck is good in a quail.—John Kendrick Bangs in Harper's Weekly.

Cynical.

"The course of true love doesn't always run smooth," sighed the young widow.

"That's right," rejoined the old bachelor. "Sometimes it ends in marriage."—Chicago News.

## SAVED OLD LADY'S HAIR

"My mother used to have a very bad humor on her head which the doctors called an eczema, and for it I had two different doctors. Her head was very sore and her hair nearly all fell out in spite of what they both did. One day her niece came in and they were speaking of how her hair was falling out and the doctors did it no good. She says, 'Aunt, why don't you try Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment?' Mother did and they helped her. In six months' time the itching, burning and scaling of her head was over and her hair began growing. To-day she feels very much in debt to Cuticura Soap and Ointment for the fine head of hair she has for an old lady of seventy-four.

"My own case was an eczema in my feet. As soon as the old weather came my feet would itch and burn and then they would crack open and bleed. Then I thought I would see to my mother's friends, Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment. I did for four or five winters and now my feet are as smooth as any one's. Elizabeth Dunham, Hiram, Me., Sept. 30, 1909."

## NOTICE!

Bennington County Savings Bank.

The annual meeting of the Corporation of the Bennington County Savings Bank will be held at the office of said bank, in its bank building, in Bennington, Vt., on the first Wednesday (4th day) of January, A. D., 1911, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of trustees for the year ensuing and the transaction of any other business found necessary when met, especially to all vacancies in the number of incorporators, and shall revise the by-laws, if necessary.

CHAS. H. DEWEY, Secretary.

Dated at Bennington, Vt., Nov. 29, 1910.

## NOTICE!

Bennington County National Bank.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bennington County National Bank of Bennington, Vt., will be held in their Banking Rooms on Tuesday the 31st day of January 1911, at 10 o'clock A. M. for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year and to consider such other business as may come before it.

Clement H. Conn, Cashier.

Bennington Vt., December 31st 1910.

## NOTICE

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of North Bennington, Vt., will be held at their banking rooms, on Tuesday, the 31st day of January, 1911, at ten o'clock A. M. for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year and for any other proper and necessary business.

H. B. Hall, Cashier.

North Bennington, Vt., Dec. 31st 1910.

## BENNINGTON BRIEFS

News of the Town and Village Told Briefly for Busy Readers.

Andrew Maurer is passing the afternoon in Troy.

There will be a dance at N. E. O. P. hall tomorrow evening.

Home dressed roast pork, 16 cents a pound. Gore's Depot street market. 4322

William Turner of Adams street who has been ill, is able to be out again.

Mrs. Isaac T. Pratt has returned from a four weeks visit in New Haven, Conn.

Repairs and improvements are being made in the interior of the Miller house on Adams street.

Mrs. Anna Ayres has returned to her home on School street, after spending several months in Brooklyn.

The O. E. S. will give a card party and dance this evening. Masons and their friends invited. Tickets 25 cents.

Dr. H. T. Summersill returned today to his home in New Haven, Conn. after spending a few days with friends in town.

The contractors, who have been moving the Pratt house, have completed the work and returned to their homes in North Adams.

Reports received from John McKale stated that he underwent a successful operation at Hillcrest hospital, Pittsfield, on Wednesday.

The heating apparatus at Library theatre has been overhauled as a result there will be plenty of heat in this theatre in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. George Phelps very pleasantly entertained four tables at whilst at their home Thursday evening. Prizes were awarded.

Misses Hilda Pratt, Vera Bull and Edith Lyons went Thursday to Holyoke, Mass., to attend the play ground institute being held in that city.

Mrs. Charles Folland, who underwent an operation at Hillcrest hospital, Pittsfield, a few days ago is doing as well as could be expected.

Jimmie Esmond, the former Hoosick Falls baseball player, has received a contract from President Garry Hermann of the Cincinnati club. Esmond has not yet signed the paper, nor does he intend to, for the present at least. He doesn't say whether the figures are to his liking or offer any excuse for a prompt return of the document. Esmond will go South with Cincinnati next spring and if he doesn't make a permanent berth he is assured a utility job. Esmond has been with Jersey City for two years.

"Alias Jimmy Valentine" the detective-thief play which will be seen at the Bennington opera house Saturday Dec. 17 if a few more seats are pledged for, has been played in every portion of the globe. At Wallack's Theatre, New York, it played well into its second year. In London Charles Froham has successfully presented the play, where it duplicated its New York success. In Paris and Berlin "Alias Jimmy Valentine" also scored heavily. From far off Australia also come the news that "Alias Jimmy Valentine" has made theatre-goers of that country sit up and take notice.

## NORTH BENNINGTON

Rev. W. E. Millington of Cambridge N. Y., will supply the Baptist pulpit at both morning and evening services next Sunday.

Rev. W. I. Coburn of Grand Rapids, Mich., has accepted a call from the Baptist church and will remove here in January.

Misses Nellie Shanahan and May Burke spent Thursday in Troy and Albany.

Do not forget the apron and food sale at Village hall Saturday afternoon, December 10, beginning at 4 o'clock. This is a good opportunity to buy your aprons for Christmas presents.

## CLARENCE E. HARD

### TEACHER OF PIANO

Mr. Hard has been my pupil for the last three summers and has carefully studied the Joffe Method of Technique. I can vouch for his efficiency, by sending him my pupils.

Ruth A. Squire.

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MAIN STREET, NORTH BENNINGTON

Estate of Henry Oglesby

STATE OF VERMONT. The Honorable District of Bennington, ss: also Probate Court for the District aforesaid:

To all persons interested in the estate of Henry Oglesby, late of Bennington, in said district deceased.

WHEREAS, said Court has assigned the 10th day of December next for examining and allowing the account of Thomas Hastings, Administrator of the estate of said deceased, and for a decree of the residue of said estate to the lawful claimants; the same, and ordered that public notice thereof be given to all persons interested in said estate by publishing this order three weeks successively previous to the day assigned, in the Bennington Evening Banner, a newspaper published at Bennington in said district.

THHEREFORE, you are hereby notified to appear at the Probate Office in Bennington in said district, on the day assigned, then and there to contest the allowance of said account if you see cause, and to establish your right as heirs, legatees, and lawful claimants to said residue.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, this 9th day of December, 1910.

GRACE B. HOLT, Register.

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For all kinds of skin diseases and all other

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### to Save Money

Nothing is more useful for a Gift than an Umbrella, either for Lady or Gentlemen. Many Bennington people will choose Umbrellas as remembrances to their loved ones this year. If you contemplate giving an Umbrella for Xmas, this advertisement is of special interest to you.

Saturday Dec. 10, at 12 Noon we shall offer for sale 150 Ladies' and Gents' Umbrellas. Value \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00.

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Buy Security Shoes FOR Boys

investing his good money in USEFUL GIFTS that are certain to be appreciated above all things. A pair of the Elite, American Gentleman or Webber Shoes for the Men Folks; Queen Quality, American Lady or Kennedy's Special for the Lady Folks; and above all don't forget the Little Men and Women, for bear in mind that Christmas is for them.

Slippers of every description for the entire family. See the New Comfort Slipper to replace that old style crochet slipper

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